MINUTES OF MEETING ITPO TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE March 10, 2016

Attendance List

Bob Monize, District 3 Citizen Rep.
Brian Wood, Previous District 2 Citizen Rep.
Connie Bowers, Island County
Don Meehan, District 1 Citizen Rep.
Doug Cox, ITPO Staff
John Shambaugh, WSDOT
Nathan Howard, Island County
Nick Pinch, Island Transit
Pete Schrum, Island Transit
Ron Nelson, Island Co. EDC
Stan Berryman, City of Langley

The meeting began at 1:01 PM.

Members not in Attendance

Arnie Peterschmidt, City of Oak Harbor Angi Mozer, Port of South Whidbey Brian Tyhuis, NAS Whidbey Island Cac Kamak, City of Oak Harbor Forrest Rambo, Port of Coupeville Town of Coupeville representative

ITPO Update

Doug provided a quick update on the status of the new ITPO. He explained that all voting member agencies have signed the interlocal agreement and the first meeting of the Policy Board occurred on February 24th. He also mentioned that HB2815 has made it through the House and Senate and is with the Governor for signature. If enacted, HB2815 would allow the ITPO to become a full-fledged RTPO.

Draft ITPO Bylaws

The group reviewed Article VI of the draft ITPO Bylaws, which is the section pertaining to the TAC. Doug explained that the Policy Board will be discussing the Bylaws at their March 23rd meeting and will likely adopt a set of Bylaws at either the March or April meeting. No changes to the current draft were suggested by TAC members.

Sharpe's Corner Project Update

Doug and Ron talked about their roles in the Sharpe's Corner Multi-Agency Stakeholder Team and provided an overview of the project alternatives that were presented at the January 28th open house in Anacortes. The group chatted about some of the differences between the two options that are moving forward and looked at various aerials, sketches and diagrams. Connie mentioned that the next open house will be on March 17th from 5:30 to 7:30 in Anacortes.

Mukilteo Ferry Terminal Project Update

Doug shared information about the 60% design of the Mukilteo Ferry Terminal. The group talked about how the waterfront will change there, how the terminal will be accessed, and the comments people shared with WSF at the February 23rd open house in Clinton. Brian brought up the benefits and challenges of the channelization changes being discussed, including his recent experience bicycling in the current terminal area along SR 525. Doug and Connie also explained the joint agency parking study and pointed out the locations that are being considered for parking in Mukilteo.

WSDOT Corridor Sketch Initiative

John gave a quick status update on the CSI process. The database is being developed based on the input the TAC provided in December and January, which will be the end of Phase 1 once completed. Phase 2 is expected to commence in April, and will focus on identifying specific strategies to inform WSDOT's Highway Systems Plan.

New Items

Doug let the group know that this was his last meeting as the Island County Transportation Planner because he is moving to Olympia to start a job at WSDOT's headquarters. Connie outlined the timeframe for getting a replacement on board.

The meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM

Next Regular TAC Meeting: April 14, 2016